

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A resilient hand guard for protecting the hand of a hacksaw user. The hand guard includes a semi-rigid or resilient flat shield formed of resilient non-metallic or elastomeric material having a height generally equal to that of the frame or handle and a width at least as great as a projected frontal width of a user's hand when grasped around the handle. The shield has an elongated notch extending downwardly along a central axis of the shield from an upper margin thereof. The notch has a width and length sufficient to be fitted around and receive support from an upper portion of the frame at a point in proximity to and forward of the handle. The shield also has a mounting aperture positioned directly below the notch and spaced above a lower margin of the shield sized to fit over and receive support from a threaded end of an elongated rear blade tensioning support held within a lower corner of the frame. The shield is also positioned in close proximity along the upright central axis thereof against a rear upright frame portion which extends between the notch and mounting aperture. The shield has sufficient resiliency for a side portion thereof to be protectively deflected around a corresponding portion of the hand upon inadvertent impact against an object during use of the hacksaw.